

## State of New Hampshire Department of Safety

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DATE: March 21, 2013

FROM: Elizabeth Peck, State Coordinating Officer

Homeland Security and Emergency Management

TO: Chairman, Board of Selectmen; State Agency Heads; School Districts; Nonprofit Organizations

SUBJECT: Major Disaster Declaration - Applicant Briefing Meetings (Public Assistance Only)

On March 19, 2013, President Barack Obama declared a major disaster for the State of New Hampshire due to a Severe Winter Storm and Snowstorm event on February 8 – 10, 2013. The major disaster declaration, for the Public Assistance Program, has designated applicants in **Belknap, Carroll, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack, Rockingham, Strafford and Sullivan counties** eligible to receive federal assistance.

If damages resulting in eligible costs from this event during the incident period were incurred, then your community/organization may be eligible for cost reimbursement under the Public Assistance Program. If your community/organization is interested in applying for disaster assistance, we ask that a representative who is familiar with the event and would be available to assist the Federal and State Teams throughout the process attend a meeting identified below.

Please note that there is a 30-day period from the date of the declaration to submit a Request for Public Assistance (RPA) form to the State. The final submittal date is April 17, 2013 for all eligible applicants in the designated counties.

April 1, 2013	April 2, 2013	April 2, 2013	April 2, 2013	April 3, 2013
1:00 pm	9:00 am	1:00 pm	6:00 pm	9:30 am
Strafford County	Merrimack County	Hillsborough County	Hillsborough County	Rockingham County
Liberty North End	NH Fire Academy	Goffstown Fire	Greenfield Town	Derry Municipal
Fire Station		Station 19	Office	Center, 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor
262 Sixth Street	98 Smokey Bear Blv	656 Mast Road	7 Sawmill Road	14 Manning Street
Dover	Concord	Goffstown	Greenfield	Derry

April 3, 2013	April 4, 2013	April 4, 2013	April 5, 2013	April 8, 2013
1:30 pm	1:00 pm	6:00 pm	10:00 am	6:00 pm
Rockingham County	Belknap County	Sullivan County	Carroll County	Cheshire County
Stratham Fire	Laconia City Hall	Newport Fire	Conway Village Fire	Keene Public Library
Department	2 <sup>nd</sup> floor	Department	Station	Auditorium
4 Winnicutt Road	45 Beacon Street	11 Sunapee Street	128 West Main Street	60 Winter Street
Stratham	Laconia	Newport	Conway	Keene

This meeting will provide you with information about the declaration process, eligibility and document preparation. *In addition to this declaration, snow assistance is authorized for the designated counties.* It is <u>imperative</u> that a staff person, such as the Road Agent/Public Works Director and/or Finance Director of your community, be present at this meeting to apply for federal assistance and facilitate the application process.

If you have any questions and/or you cannot make this briefing, please call your Field Representative or me at 1-800-852-3792 or 603-223-3655.